Study on Finance fo, Industry in West Bengal

2262. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Chamber of Commerce conducted a study on finance for industry in West Bengal recently;

(b) if so, what are the salient features °f the said study;

(c) whether Government agree with the findings of the said study; and

(d) if not, what are the details of the issues on which Government differ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN TEE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) It is understood that the Indian Chamber of Commerce conducted a workshop of finance for industry in West Bengal rcently.

(b) to (d) No report regarding this workshop appears to have been sent to the Government of India by the Indian Chamber of Commerce. Hence it is not possible to give any reply to these questions.

Setting up a Software Manufacturing firm by international Business Machines

2263. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) under what terms and conditions the International Business Machines is being allowed to set up a firm or a factory in the Santa Cruz Export Zone of Bombay for manufacture of Software; and

(b) what will be the outlay on the International Business Machines project what will be the items of manufacture and by what time it is likely to start production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b) No proposals have been recived from M|s International Business Machines for setting up a unit in the Santacruz Electronics Export Processing Zone for manufacture of software.

Fraud in the Shivaji Nagar branch]of State Bank of India at Bangalore

2264. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a fraud to the exent of Rs. 3.5 crores was detected in Shivaji Nagar Branch of the State Bank of India at Bangalore;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that top officials of the Bank have escaped implicating the Junior officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) State Bank of India has reported that a fraud of Rs. 3.5 crore was perpetrated at its Shiva;) inagar Branch, Bangalore, between 5-2-1985 and 12-2-1985 through the purchase of clean instruments drawn on an account with Oriental Bank of Commerce, New Delhi, by M|$_s$ Intercorp-Associates in conspiracy and active collusion with th$_e$ Branch Manager of the Banks Shivajinager Branch, with the intent to cheat the Bank. The Banks investigations have shown that these instruments were withheld by the Branch Manager and despatched to New Delhi only on 19-2-85. The instruments have since been returned unpaid by the drawee bank, viz., Oriental Bank of Commerce, New Delhi.

(c) State Bank of India has repor ted that there is no indication to this effect.

2265. [Transferred to the 13th December, 1985.]

नजफगढ़ रोड स्थित श्रीराम फूड [एंड फर्टिलाइजर इंडस्ट्रीज से खतरा

2266. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :** क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 10 अक्तूबर, 1985 के दैनिक "जनसत्ता" में प्रकाशित इस आशय के एक समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है कि यह कारखाना कभी भी कहर ढा सकता है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में क्या उपाय किए जा रहे हैं; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि पश्चिमी दिल्ली के नजफगढ़ रोड स्थित श्रीराम फूड एंड फर्टिलाइजर इंडस्ट्रीज का क्लोरीन प्लांट उस क्षेत्र के निवासियों पर कभी भी कहर ढा सकता है क्योंकि इस में एक टन क्षमता वाले ऐसे अनेक टैंक हैं जिनसे वहां किसी भी समय क्लोरीन के रिसने का खतरा है ?

श्रम मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री टी० अंजय्या) : (क) से (ग) दिल्ली प्रशासन द्वारा श्री राम फूड एंड फर्टीलाइजर इंडस्ट्रीज में सुरक्षा तथा प्रदूषण को नियंत्रण करने के लिए गठित की गई विशेषज्ञ समिति ने सिफारिश की थी कि विषैले संयंत्र जोखिमपूर्ण उद्योगों के आस पास स्थित जन समुदाय को होने वाले खतरे को पूर्णतः समाप्त करना संभव नहीं है। उनके अनुसार यदि संयंत्र को चलाने में पर्याप्त सावधानियां बरती जाए तो खतरे की संभावना को काफी हद तक कम किया जा सकता है। इस विचार से, समिति नें कई सिफारिशें की है और उनमें से एक सिफारिश यह है कि तरल क्लोरीन की भंडारण सीमा को 20/25 मीटरिक टन की क्षमता वाले तीन टैंकों तक सीमिति रखा जाए दिल्ली प्रशासन को अनुदेश दिया गया है कि वह इस सिफारिश को तत्काल लागू करें।

News-Item Captioned "Ship may be carrying Cargo to South Africa

2267. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
DR. SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) wheher Governments attention has been drawn to the news-items captioned Ship may be carrying cargo to South Africa which appeared in the Indian Express of 7th July, 1985 and Crackdown on illegal trade with South Africa which appeared in the Sunday observer of 27th October, 1985**;**

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government in this connection;

(c) what is the quantum of cargo impounded in this context during the last three years;

(d) how many persons have since been arrested in this connection; and

(e) what steps are being envisaged by Government to nip in the bud the illegal trade with South Africa-nracist regime?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJART): (a) Governments attention has been drawn to the news-items appearing in the Indian Express and sunday observer regarding the illegal trade with South Africa.

(b) Customs authoriies have detected cases of clandestine exports to South Africa. Recently a vesel which was carrying cargo alleged to be intended for export to South Africa was seized at Cochin. After investigations export goods in 19 containers were seized. Show cause notices have been issue to the parties concerned